

Approved For Release 2002/05/07 : CIA-RDP79R00890A000500010035-3
NSC BRIEFING **SECRET** 13 January 1955

SITUATION IN IRAN

- I. Political situation generally stable; nevertheless,
- II. Shah may appoint new prime minister in spring.
 - A. Shah keeping tight grip on government even during US trip. Distrusts Zahedi, often saying would like to remove him.
 - B. Zahedi has not won popular support due failure to push reforms; widespread corruption in his government.
- III. Shah's next premier possibly Manucher Eqbal
 - A. Senator Eqbal just "elected" chancellor of Tehran University--result of Shah's direct intervention.
 - B. Eqbal can thus catch public eye by anti-Communist campaign at Tudeh-infested university.
- IV. Under Eqbal or any Shah-dominated prime minister Iran would continue pro-West.

DOCUMENT NO. 17
NO CHANGE IN CLASS

X DECLASSIFIED

CLASS CHANGED TO: TS S C

Approved For Release 2002/05/07 : CIA-RDP79R00890A000500010035-3

SECRET

AUTH: HR 70-2

DATE: 27 Dec 71

REVIEWER: